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**AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. STRICKLAND
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MR. BILIRAKIS

In proposed section 2102(c) of the Social Security Act, redesignate paragraphs (5) and (6) as paragraphs (6) and (7) and insert after paragraph (4) the following:

1 “(5) REQUIREMENT FOR NONDISCRIMINATORY
2 TREATMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE
3 ABUSE BENEFITS.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A State child health
5 plan shall not permit the imposition of discrimi-
6 natory mental health and substance abuse bene-
7 fit limits on child health assistance provided for
8 any child.

9 “(B) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this
10 paragraph, the term ‘discriminatory mental
11 health and substance abuse benefit limits’
12 means the imposition of treatment limitations
13 or financial requirements on the coverage of
14 mental health and substance abuse benefits that
15 are not imposed on medical and surgical bene-
16 fits.